

PARTNERS IN MISSION AND ECOJUSTICE COMMITTEE REPORT TO GENERAL SYNOD • 2010-13

I. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

MANDATE AND BACKGROUND

In 2007, General Synod approved the amalgamation of the Ecojustice Committee and the Partners in Mission Committee into a single standing committee and program unit of General Synod with a mandate to help engage the Anglican Church of Canada in God's mission. The amalgamation came about partly in response to diminishing resources, and partly out of a growing awareness of how relationships with partners around the world can enrich our own mission and justice work.

In 2010, the triennium began with a Partnerships department and a Partners in Mission and Ecojustice Committee. By November 2010, the department of nine staff had dissolved due to General Synod restructuring; two program coordinators (both reporting to the Primate) and a part-time program associate remained.

COMMITTEE AND STAFF

Bishop Michael Ingham chaired the 2010 - 2013 Partners in Mission and Ecojustice Committee. Ms. Henriette Thompson became Ecumenical, Interfaith and Government Relations Coordinator until January 2012 when the position was renamed Public Witness Coordinator for Social Justice. Dr. Andrea Mann continued as Global Relations Coordinator and Ms. Claudia Alvarez as part-time Program Associate.

The Committee's membership included an international partner, a Lutheran partner, an ecumenical partner, and two Indigenous members. See page 4 for a complete list of members.

CHALLENGES

The closing of the Partnerships department in November 2010 and the effect of reduced staff support for the integrated work of mission and ecojustice posed an important challenge for the triennium. General Synod 2010 had approved a revised mandate and reduced size for PMEJC, and early in the 2010-13 triennium staff and the Committee needed to reprioritize work and adjust workloads.

WAYS OF WORKING

In this triennium, budget reductions resulted in one face-to-face meeting and one meeting by conference call per year. Committee meetings were required to be held in Toronto for budget reasons. These changes reduced our exposure to and engagement with Anglicans across Canada.

GLOBAL RELATIONS

The Global Relations program, staffed by Dr. Andrea Mann and Claudia Alvarez, continued to nurture "mutually responsible and interdependent" relationships with Anglican provinces and ecumenical organizations around the world through grants, visits, and exchanges. Within the Anglican Communion, the Anglican Church of Canada strengthened its partnership with the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem, Episcopal Church in Cuba, Church of Melanesia, the Episcopal Church in the Philippines, Philippines Independent Church, and the Council of Anglican Provinces of Africa.

Highlights:

- Renewal and strengthening of relationship with the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem through the appointment of Bishop's Chaplain, The Rev. John Organ, establishment of the Canadian Companions of the Diocese of Jerusalem, and stronger connections with ecumenical groups in Canada toward peace with justice in Israel and the Palestinian Territories.
- Renewal and strengthening of relationship between the Episcopal Church in Cuba and Global Relations through review and affirmation of mutual mission priorities, continued support to national leadership events and theological education
- Primate's visit to the Church of Melanesia and renewal of covenant of partnership
- Consultation and discernment with Philippine partners toward renewed relationship and mutual mission priorities
- Scholarships and research bursaries to 11 Anglican Communion members from Provincial/national Anglican or ecumenical theological colleges.
- Clarification of national Global Relations program priorities, structures and ways of working for implementation in 2013-2017 triennium, including deeper collaboration and wider networking locally with dioceses, parishes, ecumenical intercultural programs and PWRDF.

MISSION PERSONNEL AND MISSION EDUCATION

The Volunteers in Mission Program and the Theological Students International Internship Program, staffed by Ms. Jill Cruse and Ms. Clementina Thomas, were two mechanisms by which the Anglican Church of Canada interacted with other Anglican provinces.

These programs were supported ecumenically by orientation and re-entry programs and cross-cultural formation offered by the Canadian Churches' Forum on Global Mission. Both programs were closed in November 2010 as part of the General Synod's efforts to reduce national program costs and seek different ways of developing connections between Anglicans in Canada and the Anglican Communion.

The Global Relations Coordinator continued to respond to inquiries and requests for information about international mission personnel opportunities and supported the final Volunteer in Mission whose term of service ended in 2013. A new personnel appointment to the Diocese of Jerusalem was made in July 2012 for three years, as part of the General Synod's commitment to this key partnership. This appointment does not signal the re-opening of the Volunteer in Mission program.

The Diocese of British Columbia continued its commitment to an international theological student internship for all diocesan ordinands. Global Relations began work with the diocese's Partners in Mission Team supporting the development of local intercultural orientation and debriefing resources. This work will continue in the next triennium and is expected to grow with other interested dioceses.

Educational resources for mission and justice were prepared and posted on-line, including *Kairos Palestine: An ecumenical study guide*, new *Relations!* web pages and ongoing Mission and Justice website maintenance to communicate PMEJ activities to the wider church.

PUBLIC WITNESS FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE

The Committee and staff worked together to address issues of truth, reconciliation and equity (rights); ecological justice; justice and corrections. They did this largely through collaboration with ecumenical justice partners in Canada.

Emerging issues in the 2010-2013 triennium included:

- Truth, reconciliation and equity – strengthening the connections between the work of the 5-year Truth and Reconciliation Commission (2009 – 2014) and the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples. This connection was strengthened through our relationship with Indigenous Ministries and the Anglican Council of Indigenous Peoples, and our membership in KAIROS. It found expression in Anglican engagement in the pipelines issue, in the right to “free, prior and informed consent” of Indigenous peoples for all resource extraction across Canada, and in solidarity with the Idle No More movement.
- The environment – greening our own spaces through parish green audits.
- Social and economic justice – homelessness and affordable housing; justice and corrections especially the effect of government policy change on interfaith chaplaincy.
- Taking the pulse of ecumenism for social justice in Canada today and re-imagining ecumenical collaboration in this area.

Initiatives made possible by project grants:

- Greening Anglican Spaces (renamed Creations Matters Working Group late 2011) – An Anglican Foundation grant supported this project to equip 40 parishes across Canada in the collection of energy use data in partnership with the Canada Green Building Council GREEN UP program. The Foundation funding ended in December 2012. In January 2013, CMWG received \$15,000 from the Ministry Investment Fund to further roll out green audits and to participate in a Greening Sacred Spaces initiative.

Highlights in the triennium:

- Being witness to the stories and statements of Indian residential school survivors at four TRC national events, and multiple regional and community events. Forming working groups of Anglicans across Canada to participate in the planning of events, and witnessing of stories and statements; engaging Anglican leadership in the TRC.
- Participation in the Indigenous Sacred Circle in Pinawa, Manitoba in August 2012. Non-Indigenous guests from General Synod were there to witness to and support the Anglican Council of Indigenous People’s process of self-determination.
- Appointment of the Rev. Laurette Glasgow, Special Advisor, Government Relations to facilitate information about government policy and directions and to advise Anglican and ecumenical engagement with government.

ACTION ON 2010 GENERAL SYNOD RESOLUTIONS – See table on page 16.

II. REPORT TO GENERAL SYNOD

PARTNERS IN MISSION AND ECOJUSTICE – We're part of something bigger

As Anglicans, when we put money on the collection plate, we not only help to fix the roof, pay the parish priest and support the diocese, we also become part of something bigger. We demonstrate our involvement in a worldwide Anglican Communion, the Canadian and global Christian family, and our commitment to God's mission. Putting flesh to that involvement and commitment is the work of the Partners in Mission and Ecojustice Committee.

The 2010 revised mandate of the Partners in Mission and Ecojustice Committee describes the work of the Anglican Church of Canada as understanding and participating in God's mission in the world by:

- challenging attitudes and structures in church and society that cause injustice;
- building relationships among people and provinces within and beyond the Anglican Communion;
- modelling respectful inclusion and hospitality;
- fostering commitment to the integrity of God's creation;
- ensuring that mission is handed on from generation to generation.

COMMITTEE AND STAFF

The Partners in Mission and Ecojustice Committee was chaired by Bishop Michael Ingham, Diocese of New Westminster.

Additional committee members were:

- Larry Beardy (Keewatin)
- Caroline Chum (Moosonee)
- Paul Gehrs (Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada)
- Jennifer Gosse (Military Ordinariate)
- Cynthia Haines-Turner (COGS, Western Newfoundland)
- Bishop Pie Ntukamazina (Global)
- Nicholas Pang (Montreal)
- Anne Patterson (Ontario)
- Jonathan Schmidt (Ecumenical)
- Pierre Voyer (Quebec)

The staff team working with the Partners in Mission and Ecojustice Committee were:

- Director of Partnerships until November 2010 - Ms. Henriette Thompson, appointed in March 2008. Transitioned to Ecumenical, Interfaith and Government Relations Coordinator in December 2010, then to Public Witness Coordinator for Social Justice in January 2012.
- Global Relations Coordinator – Dr. Andrea Mann

- Program associate -- Ms. Claudia Alvarez
- Department renamed "Relationships" in November 2010

BACKGROUND

PARTNERS IN MISSION AND ECOJUSTICE Committee

Making a conceptual shift. The 2010-2013 committee's biggest challenge was to learn of the dissolving of the Partnerships department after its first face-to-face meeting of the triennium in September 2010 and to support staff in reshaping the program from a distance. The next face-to-face meeting would be held 12 months later.

Furthermore, the previous triennium had revealed the challenges in integrating two very different styles of working – between those drawn by the global relations work and those drawn by the ecojustice work.

Finding a balance between these two styles, and between relationship building and advocacy, was a challenging and important task in the past three years. It was also important to give leadership and support to the structures' consultations with local, ecumenical and global partners in keeping with Vision 2019 priorities and best practices.

Committee Size. The committee was also tested by the change of structures, program components and staffing in, and the limitation of meeting face to face only four times in the triennium.

Reduced budget and staffing. The decision by COGS to eliminate the operating deficit of General Synod by 2012 greatly affected the program budget for Partners in Mission and Ecojustice, which was reduced by almost 42 percent in the triennium from \$1,523,220 to \$891,557. Four full-time and one part-time staff positions were eliminated. Two full time Program Coordinators and one half time Program Associate continued to staff the Relationships program from April 2011 to the present.

The appointment of the Rev. Laurette Glasgow as quarter time as Special Advisor, Government Relations, has supported Anglican and ecumenical efforts to engage government in a range of mission and justice priorities.

GLOBAL RELATIONS

The purpose of the Global Relations program is to foster relationships between the Anglican Church of Canada and Anglican provinces around the world according to the principle of *mutual responsibility and interdependence*. Global Relations is key to reaching the Vision 2019 priority of *being leaders in the Anglican Communion through fostering a common sense of participation in God's mission and through relationships with other parts of the Anglican Communion*. Global Relations accepts the Marks of Mission as a primary framework for ministry development in service to God's mission, and commends them to those it serves and supports in provinces, dioceses, and local ministries.

Over the past triennium, Global Relations renewed partnership with 6 Anglican partners representing the Communion in Africa, Asia, Latin America, Middle East and Oceania. This comparatively small number of direct partnerships was determined after thorough consultation and reflection with partners, national colleagues, PWRDF and volunteers in the context of reduced Relationships' program budget and staffing . The new Global Relations program implemented 2011-2013 also included work with Canadian Anglican dioceses and parishes seeking information and other resources in support of companionships, mission trips and local-global partnership. The reduction of bilateral global partnerships in mission and the retention of capacity to accompany local church interests in global relations was also conceived and implemented in the spirit of Vision 2019 Practices 'to create structures that work for the church now and for God's mission and 'to build bridges, not fences... within the Anglican Communion.'"

Themes that informed our work with global partners were: Renewal of relationship, Theological education, Youth and Lay Leadership development, Reconciliation and Peace.

Priorities of our work together included:

- Strengthening and deepening relationship through visits and hospitality solidarity for justice, a personnel appointment and the development of local Canadian networks;
- Information sharing and financial support for:
 - Theological education and training for church leadership and administration, including an international theological student scholarship program;
 - Special Provincial/national events including youth gatherings and music festivals
 - Support for national church and institutional infrastructure, including emergency financial support to clergy, theological faculty stipends, health clinic equipment.

Ways of Working

Over the triennium, the Global Relations program administered grants and scholarships to global partners, and worked with Canadian dioceses, parishes and individuals in developing new, decentralized models and structures for program and resources delivery. An important component of this work was the complete review and revision of the Mission and Justice section of the national church website, and collaboration with Resources for Mission in the annual Gifts for Mission Guide and Together in Mission case study. Another important new development was the establishment of the Canadian Companions of the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem. The Global Relations coordinator visited all global partners at least once to review and renew covenants of relationship and travelled to related meetings in the UK, USA, and Japan. The Primate accompanied the Coordinator on a number of these visits. The Coordinator was a Board Member of the Canadian Churches' Forum for Global Ministries and will continue in this position.

Funding

Budget measures taken to reduce the General Synod deficit over the past three years have led to a 16% reduction in the Global Relations core program budget between 2010 and 2013. This has translated into fewer and smaller grants to support the mission priorities of fewer partners worldwide

The 2013 budget for Global Relations grants to 3 church partners and 8 graduate theological students is \$271,000.

In contrast to the reduction of core, apportionment-based funding to Global Relations' programs and partners there has been an increase in designated gifts, major gifts and other sources of revenue for a personnel appointment, partners' specific mission priorities, and theological education. Collaboration over the triennium with Resources for Mission staff has led to this encouraging development.

MISSION PERSONNEL, MISSION AND JUSTICE EDUCATION, RESOURCES

Volunteers In Mission

Between 2010 and 2013, one volunteer was commissioned and sent from the diocese of New Westminster to a placement in Guatemala. Critical to the success of a volunteer overseas is their local support group who pray, communicate and fundraise with and for the volunteer. Our congratulations and thanks go to this group in the diocese of New Westminster.

Canadian Churches' Forum for Global Ministries

Anglican volunteers and theological student interns have historically been trained and prepared in a well-designed ecumenical program delivered by the Canadian Churches' Forum for Global Ministries. A cross-cultural Orientation Conference provided volunteers with a solid grounding to draw on during their placement overseas. Returned volunteers participated in a Re-Entry to Canada Conference designed to help them integrate and use their experience in their ministry at home. With the closure of the Volunteers in Mission program and declining numbers of overseas mission personnel in other denominations, in 2012 the Forum discerned and decided to design and implement a new program intended to accompany and enable local awareness of culture and intercultural ministry in the church in Canada, and in relations with global church partners. The Forum also now offers a Learning for International Faith Engagement program to replace the former Mission Trip Leaders seminar. The pilot testing of these programs have involved Anglican leaders in intercultural ministry, and are now ready for wider church participation.

The link between the Forum and the PMEJ Committee was strengthened by having the Forum co-director, the Rev. Jonathan Schmidt, as an ecumenical partner. Co-director Alice Schuda gave excellent support to the intercultural and anti-racism work of General Synod 2010-2013.

The Anglican Church of Canada participates in the Forum through an annual grant and by membership on the Board.

Network Supplies and Resources

Resources are made available to diocesan and parish leaders to interpret the work of Partners in Mission and Ecojustice.

Online resources produced/provided this triennium are:

- A Moment of Truth: Kairos Palestine: A three day ecumenical study
- Companion Diocese Relationship Handbook (revised 2011)
- Translations of the 1993 Anglican Apology into 8 Aboriginal languages
- Ribbons of Reconciliation parish resource
- Green audit program and application

Mission and Ecojustice Resources

Providing timely and interesting material for the website is a growing area of resource production. Information and materials from partners, updates from other parts of the Communion, and information about national-global partnerships are available at <http://www.anglican.ca/mission/index.htm>.

Collaboration with the Department of Communication and Information Resources resulted in a complete reworking of the Mission and Justice section of the national website, and ongoing updates, news stories and photos. Social media has also been used to disseminate information about special events and emerging news. Collaboration with the Department of Resources for Mission resulted in growing success in receiving designated donations to partners' specific mission priorities. Please see the 2012-2013 Gifts for Mission Guide

http://actsofffaith.unxvision.com/product_List.asp?crypt=CDhgHnBjcGc0EDAzcy98Jm43exUJAA==

Companion Diocese Program

Global Relations encourages dioceses to enter into companionships, enables the flow of information, and offers the expertise of mission staff. The Companion Diocese Program has proven to be one of the best vehicles to facilitate contact among Anglicans at the parish level.

18 out of 30 Canadian dioceses are in one or more companionships with another diocese of the Communion. <http://www.anglican.ca/relationships/programs/ccdp/relationships>

Funding

In 2013 Partners in Mission and Ecojustice budgeted \$28,000 for mission personnel programs and grants, and \$3,000 for Network Supplies and Support.

Public Witness for Social Justice

Priorities for the work of public witness for social justice were established from several sources –

- 2010 General Synod resolutions (climate change, Truth and Reconciliation Commission (TRC), Indigenous Rights, peace and conflict)
- ongoing consultation with the Indigenous Ministries (TRC, Indigenous Rights)

- ongoing consultation in our full communion relationship with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada (specifically on housing and homelessness)
- priorities identified ecumenically through KAIROS (resource extraction, TRC), the Canadian Council of Churches' Commission on Justice and Peace (religious freedom, climate change), the Church Council on Justice and Corrections (interfaith chaplaincy), Project Ploughshares (global arms trade; nuclear disarmament), and Citizens for Public Justice (housing and homelessness; theological reflection on ecological justice).
- priorities identified through our participation in the Canadian Interfaith Conversation (poverty, climate change, and peace, especially as these relate to G8 annual meetings and the Millennium Development Goals campaign that ends in 2015).

Priorities --

Truth and Reconciliation Commission (General Synod Resolution A179 – R2)

The Public Witness Coordinator for Social Justice has lead responsibilities for coordinating Anglican Church of Canada participation in the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada (TRC). Over its five-year mandate (2009 – 2014), the TRC in collaboration with the Parties to the Settlement Agreement (government and churches) share these goals –

(a) Acknowledge Residential School experiences, impacts and consequences;

(b) Provide a holistic, culturally appropriate and safe setting for former students, their families and communities as they come forward to the Commission;

(c) Witness, support, promote and facilitate truth and reconciliation events at both the national and community levels;

(d) Promote awareness and public education of Canadians about the Indian Residential School (IRS) system and its impacts;

(e) Identify sources and create as complete an historical record as possible of the IRS system and legacy. The record shall be preserved and made accessible to the public for future study and use;

(f) Produce and submit to the Parties of the Agreement² a report including recommendations³ to the Government of Canada concerning the IRS system and experience including: the history, purpose, operation and supervision of the IRS system, the effect and consequences of IRS (including systemic harms, intergenerational consequences and the impact on human dignity) and the ongoing legacy of the residential schools;

(g) Support commemoration of former Indian Residential School students and their families in accordance with the Commemoration Policy Directive (Schedule “X” of the Agreement).

Anglicans – the Primate, bishops, clergy and lay members – have witnessed the truth telling of residential school survivors at four national events (Winnipeg, Inuvik, Halifax, and Saskatoon), two regional events (Victoria, Whitehorse), and several dozen community events in locations such as Chisasibi QC, Onion Lake SK, Tofino BC, Baffin Island NUNAVUT, Hay River NWT, Toronto ON, Peterborough ON, etc.

In March 2013, the Council of General Synod passed a resolution to commit \$125,000 to providing documents to the TRC -- up to \$30,000 to assist dioceses in meeting their obligations to providing archival documents; and, up to \$95,000 to digitize General Synod archival documents.

In April 2013, the Anglican Church and all the Parties drafted an action plan to implement the 20 recommendations arising from the TRC Interim Report. Many of them, such as commemoration initiatives, are being developed in consultation with the Anglican Council of Indigenous Peoples.

Climate Change (2010 General Synod resolution A-180) is one of the key ethical and religious challenges for our time. Emissions from the burning of fossil fuels are pushing carbon dioxide concentrations levels in the atmosphere higher than at any time in recorded history. In the 2010 - 2013 triennium, the Creation Matters Working Group (formerly named Greening Anglican Spaces) focused on engaging 40 parishes across Canada in a GREEN UP initiative of the Canada Green Building Council to have parishes gather and provide energy data to reduce energy use and to free up resources for local mission. In early 2013, a Ministry Investment Fund grant of \$15,000 will support further work with Canadian parish greening efforts.

- Besides posting parish greening information online (program description, application form, and two videos), we posted liturgical resources for parish use. The CMWG also monitored UN climate conferences and Canadian ecumenical participation in these conferences.
- In August 2012, the General Secretary wrote to the Prime Minister requesting that the Government of Canada develop a clear plan of action on climate change following its withdrawal from the Kyoto Accord. The Minister of the Environment responded in October 2012. The Canadian Council of Churches’ Commission on Justice and Peace also continued to engage government on three priorities related to climate change. We continue to work with Special Government Relations Advisor, the Rev. Laurette Glasgow in engaging with government on climate change.

Causes for Celebration

In response to these and other emerging priorities, Partners in Mission and Ecojustice collaborated with ecumenical organizations, dioceses, and other denominations on initiatives such as these:

- **Resource extraction**, especially regarding oil pipelines – Anglican delegation (Bishops Macdonald and Ingham and Rev. Matthew Hill) attended KAIROS-coordinated meeting of churches with Enbridge in Vancouver in October 2012 with a view to articulating church positions on pipelines in solidarity with Indigenous nations.
- **Equipping Ambassadors of Reconciliation** – A second ecumenical regional conference to prepare church and Aboriginal leaders to engage in the Truth and Reconciliation process was held in Tatamagouche, Nova Scotia in May 2011. This followed a conference in Orillia, Ontario in November 2009.
- **Anglican Lutheran Action on Housing and Homelessness.** The naming of Homelessness and Affordable Housing as one of two Anglican-Lutheran social justice issues for the 2013 – 2016 triennium, and the wide civil society mobilization around Bill C400 vote in the House of Commons in February, provided an opportunity for our churches to reconnect with Lutherans and Anglicans already engaged in housing and homelessness initiatives across Canada. This action built on earlier Anglican and Lutheran collaboration in 2008 with a successful advocacy initiative calling on the Government of Canada to designate stimulus dollars for affordable housing for Canada’s people of low income.
- **Anglican correctional chaplaincies.** When the Minister of Public Safety announced changes to interfaith chaplaincies in correctional institutions, Anglican chaplains, bishops and staff coordinated analysis, reflection, and action to address the situation, internally and with ecumenical and interfaith partners.
- **Canadian Interfaith Conversation.** The Anglican Church of Canada continues to be an active participant at this table beginning with the 2010 “Faith Challenge” campaign conducted ahead of the G8/G20 2010 meetings. In 2013, the focus is on the “1000 day campaign” beginning April 5, 2013 and culminating in 2015 with the end of the Millennium Development Goals 15-year campaign.

Special Projects

Following the restructuring of Partnerships (renamed Relationships), the Primate requested Henriette Thompson to undertake two projects – the first, to research and report on new ways of working ecumenically in social justice; and, the second was to explore and identify ways in which Relationships and the Primate’s World Relief and Development Fund (PWRDF) could work together more effectively.

The “**ecumenical project**” research and writing resulted in a report in January 2012: *“Something’s happening here: strengthening Christian public witness in a changing context.”*

The report examined the decline of denominations and emerging churches; the changing relationship between government and churches; interfaith relations; and the growing strength of Indigenous peoples in church and society.

The report was followed by a one-day workshop of ecumenical partners on January 23, 2012 to reflect on and analyze the critical issues requiring attention and action. A workshop report was produced. Subsequently, ecumenical councils and agencies have met at least twice between February 2012 and April 2013. There are multiple ways in which ecumenical bodies are changing to meet the challenges of declining support from member churches and an ongoing need for voices of faith in the major issues facing our country and the world – poverty, climate change, truth and reconciliation, peace.

The “**Relationships/PWRDF**” project in 2012 was guided by an advisory group of governance and staff members from both areas. We employed a scenario planning approach to identify ways in which to work together more intentionally. The meetings and workshops produced a revised Memorandum of Agreement between Relationships and PWRDF. We continue to work collaboratively. For example, Henriette Thompson represents General Synod at the Canadian Interfaith Conversation where the Millennium Development Goals campaign is promoted. This work was communicated to PWRDF staff and connected with the agency’s focus on the MDGs.

Extending Our Work

Partnerships with peace and justice organizations are sustained in different ways - by grants from the Relationships’ budget, Anglican representation on governance structures, and collaboration on campaigns and projects. The Anglican Church has been able to extend its ministry of peace and justice thanks to:

a. Ecumenical justice and civil society partners:

- Primate’s World Relief and Development Fund
- KAIROS – Canadian Ecumenical Justice Initiatives
- Project Ploughshares
- Church Council on Justice and Corrections
- Faith and the Common Good
- Canada Green Building Council
- Citizens for Public Justice – *Dignity for All Campaign*
- Canadian Interfaith Conversation (formerly known as 2010 Interfaith Partnership)

b. Anglican and ecumenical networks and councils:

- Anglican Communion Environmental Network
- International Anglican Women’s Network
- Anglican Peace and Justice Network
- Anglican Indigenous Network
- Anglican Consultative Council
- Canadian Council of Churches
- World Council of Churches

In particular, thanks and recognition are owed to the leadership of people who represent the Anglican Church of Canada on these bodies:

- The Revs. Murray Still and Rob Webster, diocese of Rupert's Land – TRC Regional Working Group, Winnipeg National Event
- Ms. Verna Firth, diocese of the Arctic – TRC Regional Working Group, Arctic National Event
- The Rev. Cathy Lee Cunningham, Mr. Ted Haslam, and Mr. Andrew Sherin, diocese of Nova Scotia and PEI – TRC Regional Working Group, Atlantic National Event
- Ms. Ruth d'Hollander, diocese of British Columbia – TRC Regional Working Group, Vancouver Island Regional Event
- Ms. Mary Ann Assailly, diocese of Saskatoon – TRC Regional Working Group, Saskatchewan National Event
- The Rev. Sarah Usher, diocese of Yukon – TRC Regional Working Group, Yukon Regional Event
- The Rev. Karen Chalk, diocese of Montreal – TRC Regional Advisory Committee, Quebec National Event
- The Rev. Laurel Dykstra, diocese of New Westminster – TRC Regional Advisory Committee, BC National Event
- The Rev. Ken Gray, diocese of British Columbia – chair of Greening Anglican Spaces to December 2011; Anglican Communion Environmental Network (ongoing)
- Mr. Randal Goodfellow, diocese of Ottawa -- chair of Creation Matters Working Group (2012 – present). Ms. Nancy Harvey, diocese of Huron – secretary, CMWG; 10 to 12 CMWG members.
- Ms. Julia Roberts, diocese of Kootenay – Creation Matters/GREEN UP research project
- Mr. Cam Gray, diocese of British Columbia – KAIROS Sustainability Circle
- Mr. Charles Bobbish – diocese of Moosonee – KAIROS Indigenous Rights Circle
- The Rev. Christina Guest, diocese of Ottawa – Church Council on Justice and Corrections (2008 to 2012); the Rev. Sharon Dunlop, diocese of Ontario (2012 – present)
- Ms. Debbie Grisdale – diocese of Ottawa – Project Ploughshares (2009 – present)

- The Rev. Helena Rose-Houldcroft, diocese of Toronto; Anglican representative to the Governing Board of the Canadian Council of Churches to 2011; The Rev. Jim Boyles, the Ven. Marion Vincett, and the Ven. Bruce Myers, dioceses of Toronto, Niagara and Quebec, respectively – Anglican representatives to the Governing Board of the CCC (2012 – present)
- The Rev. Jim Boyles, diocese of Toronto – liaison with Japanese Canadian Vancouver Consultative Council
- The Rev. Canon Alice Medcof, diocese of Toronto – International Anglican Women’s Network (IAWN)
- The Rev. Robert Assaly, diocese of Montreal – Middle East Working Group of KAIROS
- The Rev. Dr. Sonia Hinds, diocese of Toronto – Canadian Churches’ Forum for Global Ministries
- The Rev. Gerry Mueller, diocese of Huron – Canadian Churches’ Forum for Global Ministries
- The Rev. Claire Goodrich Dyer, diocese of Toronto – Canadian Churches’ Forum for Global Ministries
- Canon John Alfred Steele, diocese of British Columbia – World Council of Churches Central Committee
- Ms. Marion Little, diocese of British Columbia – Anglican Safe Church Network
- The Rev. Cynthia Patterson, diocese of Quebec – Council of the North Suicide Prevention, especially with respect to policy advocacy on Bill C300
- The Rev. Dale Gillman, diocese of Qu’Appelle, and the Ven. Wayne Varley, diocese of Ontario – Interfaith Chaplaincy, Correction Services Canada

In 2013, General Synod budgeted \$148,000 for membership in Anglican and ecumenical councils plus \$14,400 for travel costs for Anglican representatives. Budgeted grants to ecojustice partners amounted to \$85,000, with an additional \$8,000 to support Anglican representatives to serve on these bodies.

APPENDIX ONE

Partners in Mission and Ecojustice Mandate, revised and approved at GS 2010***Preamble***

We as the Church are to be signs and instruments of God's reconciling love in the world. We have a responsibility to incarnate our response to Jesus' summary of the law, 'to love God and our neighbour as self,' to Jesus' example of being in right relationships, and to the question posed by the prophet Micah (6.8): 'And what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and love kindness, and walk humbly with your God?'

The work of the Anglican Church of Canada is to understand and participate in God's mission in the world by:

- challenging attitudes and structures in church and society that cause injustice;
- building relationships among people and provinces within and beyond the Anglican Communion;
- modelling respectful inclusion and hospitality;
- fostering commitment to the integrity of God's creation;
- ensuring that mission is handed on from generation to generation.

Mandate

Through a mechanism to be determined The Anglican Church of Canada shall:

a) Engage in biblical, theological and ethical reflection on the 5 Marks of Mission listening for the Spirit and discerning God's mission for the church and the world. Clearly, understanding, and articulating the meaning of mission and ecojustice and why it is important.

b) Equip Canadian Anglicans to live out their baptismal promise to "strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being."

c) Equip Canadian Anglicans to build and strengthen relationships with Anglican, ecumenical and interfaith partners locally and globally.

d) Engage in reflection on and learning best practices and principles of partnership.

e) Support networks for mission and justice throughout the church and encourage Canadian Anglicans to participate.

f) Engage in teaching and learning with Indigenous peoples in Canada and globally, identify ways that Canadian Anglicans can move toward healing and reconciliation from the legacy of colonialism, and participate in advocacy and solidarity initiatives in the struggle of Indigenous peoples in Canada to protect their land and rights, including the right to self-determination.

g) Monitor events, become familiar with established church policy, and recommend priorities for responding as the Anglican Church of Canada to social, ecological and ethical issues in Canada and globally.

- h) Report to the Council of General Synod and recommend new policies and actions.
- i) Monitor and support the involvement of the Anglican Church of Canada in the World Council of Churches, the Anglican Consultative Council, the Canadian Council of Churches and in relevant networks of the Anglican Communion, and in partner organizations.
- j) Find ways to share what is happening in mission and justice amongst Anglicans in Canada with the intention of creating greater synergies between all levels of the Anglican Church of Canada (parish, diocesan, and national).

APPENDIX TWO

ACTIONS ON RESOLUTIONS OF GENERAL SYNOD 2010

Resolution	Details	Action
A176	UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples	Anglican Church of Canada endorsed the UN Declaration
A177	Revised Mandate of the Partners in Mission and Ecojustice Committee	Directed the Committee's work throughout triennium. Mandate will possibly be revised in the next triennium in keeping with anticipated changes to the structure and purpose of Standing Committees 2013-2016
A178	National Strategies to Address Poverty and Homelessness	Through Citizens for Public Justice and Canada Without Poverty <i>Dignity for All</i> campaign focus on Bill C400, we actively advocated that government support a private members' Bill (C400) to develop a national housing strategy and address housing and poverty. (Feb 27, 2013 vote did not pass in the House of Commons. March federal budget provides new opportunities for action.) Created an email list of Anglicans and Lutherans engaged in housing and homelessness work across Canada, and invited their input into priorities for ACC and ELCIC work especially in the 2013 – 2016 triennium (see Joint Assembly Declaration).
A179	Anglican Participation in the Truth and Reconciliation Commission in Canada	Coordinated Anglican participation of bishops, clergy and lay people in 4/7 TRC national events to March 2013; 3 final national event planning processes are underway, plus closing ceremonies in July 2014. Promoted Anglican participation in multiple TRC community hearings. Ensured Anglican participation at TRC All Party meetings to address commitments to event planning,

		document production, communications and education; TRC event planning committees (national and regional), and ecumenical working group and KAIROS; public education and communication of TRC mandate; consultation with Indigenous Ministries and Anglican Council of Indigenous Peoples; co-presented on white privilege and anti-racism training to CoGS.
A180	Climate Change	Ongoing: Anglican and ecumenical correspondence with Government of Canada re. Canada's climate change commitments; promotion of liturgical resources on creation care; support for diocesan "creation matters" initiatives through national Creation Matters Working Group; completion of energy data collection of 40 parishes across Canada; support for General Synod greening practices; feasibility study of GS offices green audit.
A181	Toward a World Free of Nuclear Weapons	
A183	Partnership with the Diocese of Jerusalem	Establishment of the structure of Canadian Companions of the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem, a Companions' web presence day of prayer for Jerusalem (October 23, 2012), proposed Jerusalem Sunday resolution, appointment of Canadian Anglican as Bishop's Chaplain (2012-2015), information resources (brochure, display area General Synod), partnership visit, connection with diocese of Ottawa companionship, fund raising for Jerusalem mission priorities.
A184	Peace and Justice in Palestine and Israel	Letter from General Secretary written to Prime Minister, collaboration and dissemination of study resource on Kairos Palestine: A Moment of Truth, Canadian ecumenical study and solidarity on issues of peace with justice.